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JAMES E. JOHNSON

Honorable James L. Cott United States Magistrate Judge Southern District of New York Daniel Patrick Moynihan Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re: <u>Alexander Williams v. City of New York, et al.</u>,

19 Civ. 3347 (LJL) (JLC)

Your Honor:

I am a Senior Counsel in the Special Federal Litigation Division of the New York City Law Department, and one of the attorneys assigned to represent defendants. Defendants write in accordance with the Court's Order, dated December 3, 2020, directing defendants to "respond to [plaintiff's] letter by December 10 and advise the Court whether they are interested and willing to participate in a settlement conference." (ECF No. 126.) Defendants submit that a settlement conference is unnecessary in this matter because defendants are taking a no pay position. Defendants apologize for the late filing of this letter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ziana Smith-Willisms/S

Qiana Smith-Williams¹ Senior Counsel

cc: Plaintiff, pro se (Via First Class Mail)

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¹ This case has been assigned to Assistant Corporation Counsel Aaron Davison, who passed the New York State Bar Exam and is presently applying for admission. Mr. Davison is handling this matter under supervision and may be reached at (646) 988-3220 or adavison@law.nyc.gov.